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June 3, 2014

Date Complaint Received:	5/21/14
Complaint Received By:	DHS
Provider Name and Location:	Linda Coplan, 955 18 th Street, Bettendorf, IA 52722

Complaint: DHS/Scott County Kids representative Becky Kalar drove past Linda Coplan's home on 5/20/2014 and noticed a grey and white dog in the front yard of Linda's home with two preschoolers close to the dog. There were also two white dogs inside the 'play yard' area with a child inside the play yard with the dogs.

Rule Basis: Rule Basis: 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110.5(1): Conditions in the homoe are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards. 110.5(9)a Gives careful supervision.

Findings: Becky Kalar contacted Animal Control and reported this breach of the quarantine for Linda Coplan. Animal Control officer Leah Messmer confirmed the identity of the dog and that Linda did not follow the quarantine. Linda also did not follow the safety plan that was signed and agreed upon on 5/19/2014 with DHS.

Resolution: In talking with Supervisor, it was agreed that revocation should be issued on Linda's home due to the breach of the safety agreement and the risk to children's safety. On 5/28/14, Kathy Huinker spoke with Linda Coplan and informed her of the most recent 5/21/14 concern. Linda stated she would be appealing this revocation as she reported that she has kept the dog away. Linda did indicate that the only way this could have happened was if a child let the dog out. Revocation was issued 5/28/2014 and will become effective 6/9/2014.

If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact me at 563-326-8215 or email address khuinke@dhs.state.ia.us.

Sincerely,

Kathy Huinker, SWII
Social Worker